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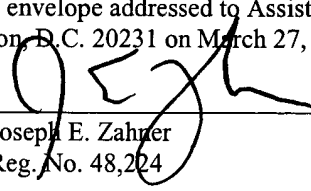


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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

The following amendments and remarks are made in response to the Office Action of paper No. 14, which was mailed on January 6, 2003.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

The claims of the instant application have been amended and new claims are presented as set forth below. Claims 2, 6, 7 and 9 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. A marked up copy of the claims is herewith appended.

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1. (Amended) A method of producing a human pluripotent stem cell from a human adult somatic cell comprising treating said adult somatic cell with a first